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## NORTH DAKOTA HIGHWAY PATROL

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## HIGHWAY PATROL TO RECEIVE POLARIS RANGER 6X6 UTILITY VEHICLE

The North Dakota Highway Patrol received a Polaris Ranger 6X6 Utility vehicle on Thursday, September 4<sup>th</sup>. The Patrol received the vehicle from the US Smokeless Tobacco Company (U.S.S.T.C.) Operation Ranger grant program. The Operation Ranger program is a competitive program open to all emergency services agencies in the nation.

The off-highway vehicle will be used as an instrumental tool in search and rescue, criminal interdiction, and other security issues when called to respond often partnering with other agencies. The utility vehicle will allow access to areas inaccessible by traditional vehicles. The vehicle will also be utilized for traffic direction, community policing, and safety and education.

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